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Youth ChalleNGe graduates first class June 23

CAMP GUERNSEY, Wyo. – The Wyoming National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program's first class will graduate on June 23 at Guernsey-Sunrise High School.

Maj. Gen. Ed Wright, Wyoming's adjutant general; Col. Jim Tinkham, National Guard Bureau; and Jim McBride, Wyoming's superintendent of public instruction, will speak during the 1 p.m. ceremony.

Twenty-two cadets have spent the last five-months at the Youth ChalleNGe residence program, located at Camp Guernsey Joint Training Center. Core components of the program include academics, citizenship, life-coping skills, civic service, leadership and physical fitness.

"These young men have worked hard to be successful in this program. I'm very proud of them and pleased they makeup the first Wyoming National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Program graduating class," said Lt. Col. Shawn Powell, Wyoming National Guard Youth ChalleNGe director.

Applications for the next Youth ChalleNGe class, beginning on July 15, currently are being accepted.

For information about the Wyoming Youth ChalleNGe Program, cadet applications, or information on becoming a mentor, visit the Web site at http://www.ngycp.org/state/wy or call the program at (307) 836-7500.